

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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**COMMUNICATION REGARDING PATENT TERM ADJUSTMENT**

Applicants believe that the patent term adjustment calculated for the present application is incorrect. Applicants were given 124 days of extension when, in fact, Applicants believe they are entitled to fewer days.

The relevant dates under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.703 and 1.704 are as follows:

Event	Date	Days Late/ Applicants	Days Late/ PTO
Filing date	October 16, 2001		
14 months after filing date	December 16, 2002		
Restriction Requirement	January 17, 2003		32
Response to Restriction Requirement	February 18, 2003, February 17, 2003 being a federal holiday	0	
Office Action	April 29, 2003		0
Amendment and Response to Office Action	July 2, 2003	0	
Notice of Non-Compliant Response	November 10, 2003		6

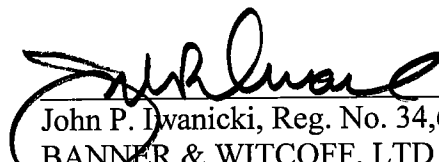
Response to Notice of Non-Compliant Response	November 21, 2003	145	
Final Office Action	June 16, 2004		87
Amendment and Response to Final Office Action and RCE	September 9, 2004	0	
Office Action	November 1, 2004		0
Response to Office Action	February 1, 2005	0	
Office Action	September 29, 2005		120
Amendment and Response to Office Action	December 28, 2005	0	
Office Action	March 27, 2005		0
Amendment and Response to Office Action	June 23, 2006	0	
Office Action	September 26, 2006		0
Amendment and Response to Office Action	December 8, 2006	0	
Notice of Allowance	March 7, 2007		0
<b>Totals</b>		<b>145</b>	<b>245</b>

The Patent Term Adjustment History found on PAIR lists a Response after Non-Final Action as submitted on October 30, 2003, when in fact, it was submitted on July 2, 2003. Copies of the Express Mailing Receipt, the returned postcard and the Transmittal Letter accompanying Applicants' response filed July 2, 2003 are enclosed. All submissions were sent to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office via Express Mail or were filed electronically. Accordingly, Applicants are entitled to a filing date for each submission based on its submission date.

A copy of the Determination of Patent Term Adjustment is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

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